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4. [] Senator Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) called in response to my earlier call to him for a date to meet and discuss his query to the Director regarding an article about the Agency in the March "Earth" magazine. I told Symington I would like to come see him at his convenience, but he said this was not necessary, that Senator Harold Hughes (D., Iowa) was the one who was particularly interested in the matter and I should see him. I told Symington we would be glad to do so, but would like him to know the article in question was full of nonsense. Symington asked that I let him know the results after I talk to Senator Hughes, who had been speaking of "investigating" the charges against the Agency contained in the article.

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5. [] Pat Holt, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called regarding the case of [] whom we had discussed some months ago, a friend of Holt's who had been traveling back and forth to Cuba on somewhat mysterious missions. We had previously warned Holt of suspicions regarding [] activities. Holt said [] had been due to arrive back in New York from Cuba about 3 January, traveling via Madrid, but nothing had been heard from him. He said State had sought information through the Swiss consulate in Havana but without success. I told Holt we would look into the matter and see what we could find out.

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6. [] John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called regarding a story in today's New York Times on the DDCI nomination. See Memo for the Record.

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7. [] Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called to ask the salary of the DDCI, which we explained was \$40,000.

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8. [] I talked to several different members of the staff of the House Foreign Affairs Committee about the Jack Anderson column on Sunday of a report being prepared by Representative Lester Wolff (D., N. Y.) concerning dope in Thailand. The staff has no knowledge of such a report but will advise us should they learn differently. No further action is contemplated at this time.

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